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Cattle on Feed Chickens and Eggs	Hatchery Production Milk Production Livestock Slaughter				

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.5 million head on May 1, 2010. The inventory was three percent below May 1, 2009.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.63 million, two percent above 2009. Net placements were 1.54 million head. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 365,000, 600-699 pounds were 300,000, and 700-799 pounds were 469,000 and 800 pounds and greater were 495,000. Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.85 million, one percent below 2009. Other disappearance totaled 89,000 during April, 29 percent above 2009.

Cattle Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month - United States

Month	Year	Less than 600 lbs 600-699 lbs		700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total	
		(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	
April	2009	355	315	405	525	1,600	
March	2010	395	375	*601	485	*1,856	
April	2010	365	300	469	495	1,629	

^{*}Revised

Cattle and Calves on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States

State	Number on feed April 1		Placed during April		Marketed during April		Other disappearance during April		Number on feed May 1	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
_	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona	330	278	21	16	38	24	2	2	311	268
California	445	440	68	49	61	51	2	3	450	435
Colorado	1,040	930	150	170	165	145	15	15	1,010	940
Idaho	210	205	30	27	29	21	1	1	210	210
lowa	530	600	79	76	68	72	1	4	540	600
Kansas	2,280	2,240	330	315	410	405	20	20	2,180	2,130
Nebraska	2,320	2,290	350	400	395	435	5	15	2,270	2,240
New Mexico	137	(D)	11	(D)	25	(D)	3	(D)	120	(D)
Oklahoma	330	340	52	57	66	70	1	2	315	325
South Dakota	225	235	39	39	33	38	1	1	230	235
Texas	2,810	2,640	395	400	510	510	15	20	2,680	2,510
Washington	160	171	26	29	24	24	1	1	161	175
Other States 1	345	*398	49	51	47	59	2	5	345	385
United States	11,162	*10,767	1,600	1,629	1,871	1,854	69	89	10,822	10,453

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Beginning in July 2009, New Mexico is included in Other States total.

Hatchery Production

Florida

The April hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 4.63 million, was 33 percent above a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on May 1, 2010, at 4.15 million, was 40 percent above a year ago.

United States

Broiler-type chicks hatched during April 2010 totaled 767 million, up one percent from April 2009. Eggs in incubators totaled 643 million on May 1, 2010, up two percent from a year earlier. Leading breeders placed 6.54 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during April 2010, up five percent from April 2009.

Egg-type chicks hatched during April 2010 totaled 47.5 million, up 11 percent from April 2009. Eggs in incubators totaled 41.6 million on May 1, 2010, up one percent from a year ago. Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 232 thousand during April 2010, down 24 percent from April 2009.

Chickens and Eggs

Florida

Table egg production in Florida during April 2010 was 206 million eggs, eight percent below the previous month. Total egg production was 210 million eggs compared to 228 million eggs the previous month. During May 2010, 9.0 percent of the laying flock was being molted, 32.0 percent had completed at least one molt.

United States

U.S. egg production totaled 7.55 billion during April 2010, up one percent from last year. Production included 6.47 billion table eggs, and 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.00 billion were broiler-type and 74 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during April 2010 averaged 340 million, down slightly from last year. April egg production per 100 layers was 2,220 eggs, up one percent from April 2009.

All layers in the U.S. on May 1, 2010 totaled 338 million, down slightly from last year. The 338 million layers consisted of 279 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 56.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.99 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on May 1, 2010, averaged 73.1 eggs per 100 layers, up one percent from May 1, 2009.

Hatchery production - United States

Item	2009	2010	2010 as % of 2009
	(1,000)	(1,000)	
Egg Type			
Eggs in incubators: May 1	41,162	41,556	101
Chicks hatched during April	42,794	47,503	111
Chicks hatched January thru April	159,138	171,568	108
Pullets hatched during April			
for intended placements			
in hatchery supply flocks	307	232	76
7-18 months earlier ¹	2,879	3,318	115
Broiler-Type			
Eggs in incubators May 1	630,826	643,089	102
Chicks hatched during April	758,663	767,225	101
Chicks hatched January thru April	3,028,967	3,029,570	100
Pullets hatched during April			
for intended placements			
in hatchery supply flocks	6,240	6,538	105
7-15 months earlier ²	65,173	62,672	96

¹2010 includes pullet chicks hatched October 2008 through September 2009.

Layers and Egg Production for Selected States and United States: April 2010

Selected	Average	Egg	Rate of lay				
States	layers	production	per 100				
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	(1,000)	(millions)	(number)				
Alabama	9,855	182	61.6				
Arkansas	12,283	243	65.9				
California	19,512	440	75.2				
Colorado	3,766	89	78.8				
Connecticut	2,683	62	77.0				
Florida	9,382	210	74.6				
Georgia	17,492	369	70.3				
Hawaii	300	5.1	56.7				
Illinois	4,622	105	75.7				
Indiana	23,686	543	76.4				
lowa	54,442	1,232	75.4				
Maine	3,630	87	79.9				
Maryland	2,253	50	74.0				
Michigan	10,216	247	80.6				
Minnesota	10,355	231	74.4				
Mississippi	6,096	120	65.6				
Missouri	7,069	160	75.4				
Nebraska	9,418	225	79.6				
New York	3,787	91	80.1				
North Carolina	13,586	270	66.2				
Ohio	27,547	611	73.9				
Oregon	2,307	56	80.9				
Pennsylvania	23,539	571	80.9				
South Carolina	4,356	91	69.6				
South Dakota	2,376	54	75.8				
Texas	18,090	395	72.8				
Utah	3,418	75	73.1				
Virginia	3,511	68	64.6				
Washington	6,387	148	77.2				
Wisconsin	4,868	111	76.0				
Other States 1	19,114	406	70.8				
United States	339,946	7,547	74.0				
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² 2010 includes pullet chicks hatched January 2009 through September 2009.

Milk Production

Florida

Florida dairy farms produced 201 million pounds of milk during April 2010, one percent above the previous April. Production per cow in April of 1,760 pounds was three percent above April of last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in April totaled 114 thousand, three percent below last year.

United States

Milk production in the 23 major States during April totaled 15.2 billion pounds, up 1.7 percent from April 2009. March revised production at 15.4 billion pounds, was up 0.9 percent from March 2009. The March revision represented an increase of 9 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,823 pounds for April, 63 pounds above April 2009. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.33 million head, 155,000 head less than April 2009, but 3,000 head more than March 2010.

Milk Production by Quarters - United States

Month	Milk c	cows 1	Milk pe	er cow ²	Milk Production ²	
WOTHT	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)
January-						
March	9,295	9,090	5,097	5,208	47,374	47,340
April-June July-	9,262		5,278		48,888	
September October-	9,155		5,111		46,793	
December	9,090		5,090		46,265	
Annual Total	9,201		20,576		189,320	

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

Milk Cows and Production - Florida and United States

Month	Milk	Monthly milk Production ²			
and year	Cows ¹	Per cow	Monthly Total		
	(1,000)	(pounds)	(million pounds)		
Florida					
April 2009	117	1,710	200		
March 2010	113	1,820	206		
April 2010	114	1,760	201		
23 Major States					
April 2009	8,480	1,760	14,922		
March 2010	8,322	1,846	15,364		
April 2010	8,325	1,823	15,178		
United States					
April 2009	9,282	1,740	16,148		
March 2010	9,093	1,824	16,585		
April 2010	9,096	1,801	16,385		

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk fed to calves.

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Livestock Slaughter

Commercial red meat production in Florida for April 2010 was 9.6 million pounds, six percent below last month but 13 percent above last year. Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.01 billion pounds in April 2010, down two percent from 4.09 billion pounds produced in April 2009.

Commercial Slaughter and Red Meat Production - Florida and United States

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Source and kind	April 2009	March 2010	April 2010	Year to date 2009	Year to date 2010
FLORIDA					
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	6.2	6.9	5.4	22.0	23.8
Total liveweight1,000 pounds	1,088	1,007	793	3,785	3,485
Sheep and Lambs:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	0.4	(D)	(D)	1.5	(D)
Total liveweight 1,000 pounds	19	(D)	(D)	77	(D)
Red meat production ¹ million pounds	8.5	10.2	9.6	32.3	36.8
UNITED STATES					
Cattle:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	2,772.6	2,912.7	2,847.1	10,748.2	11,014.6
Total liveweight million pounds	3,526	3,693	3,554	13,914	13,989
Average liveweightpounds	1,276	1,273	1,253	1,299	1,275
Beef production million pounds	2,133.4	2,212.1	2,140.1	8,381.4	8,390.9
Calves:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	68.0	79.8	68.5	306.6	305.1
Total liveweight million pounds	19	20	19	79	76
Average liveweightpounds	281	259	275	261	254
Veal production million pounds	11.2	12.2	11.1	46.4	45.6
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	9,436.7	10,030.5	9,054.1	37,939.7	36,685.4
Total liveweight million pounds	2,565	2,724	2,466	10,307	9,953
Average liveweightpounds	272	272	273	272	272
Pork production million pounds	1,925.0	2,039.9	1,848.8	7,739.0	7,456.2
Sheep and Lambs:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	228.9	262.3	190.7	819.0	818.0
Total liveweight million pounds	31	35	26	115	112
Lamb and Mutton million pounds	15.5	17.6	13.0	57.3	55.7
Red meat production ¹ million pounds	4,085.0	4,281.7	4,012.9	16,224.0	15,948.4

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¹ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.